

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A mobile telephone, comprising:  
2 a vital sign measuring system;  
3 a keypad, coupled to said vital sign measuring system,  
4 configured to allow a user to control said vital sign measuring  
5 system; and  
6 a display, coupled to said vital sign measuring system,  
7 configured to provide vital sign information to said user.

2. The mobile telephone as recited in Claim 1 wherein said  
2 vital sign measuring system comprises a body temperature sensor.

3. The mobile telephone as recited in Claim 1 wherein said  
2 vital sign measuring system comprises a blood pressure sensor.

4. The mobile telephone as recited in Claim 1 wherein said  
2 vital sign measuring system comprises a pulse detector.

5. The mobile telephone as recited in Claim 1 wherein said  
2 vital sign measuring system is integral with a chassis of said  
3 mobile telephone.

6. The mobile telephone as recited in Claim 1 further

2 comprising a loudspeaker, coupled to said vital sign measuring  
3 system, configured to provide said vital sign information to said  
4 user.

7. The mobile telephone as recited in Claim 1 further  
2 comprising a microphone, coupled to said vital sign measuring  
3 system, configured to allow said user to control said vital sign  
4 measuring system.

8. A method of employing a mobile telephone to measure a  
2 vital sign, comprising:  
3 controlling a vital sign measuring system coupled to said  
4 mobile telephone with a keypad of said mobile telephone; and  
5 providing vital sign information to said user with a display  
6 of said mobile telephone.

9. The method as recited in Claim 8 wherein said vital sign  
2 measuring system comprises a body temperature sensor.

10. The method as recited in Claim 8 wherein said vital sign  
2 measuring system comprises a blood pressure sensor.

11. The method as recited in Claim 8 wherein said vital sign  
2 measuring system comprises a pulse detector.

12. The method as recited in Claim 8 wherein said vital sign  
2 measuring system is integral with a chassis of said mobile  
3 telephone.

13. The method as recited in Claim 8 further comprising  
2 providing said vital sign information to said user with a  
3 loudspeaker of said mobile telephone.

14. The method as recited in Claim 8 further comprising  
2 controlling a vital sign measuring system coupled to said mobile  
3 telephone with a microphone of said mobile telephone.

15. A vital sign measuring system, comprising:  
2 a body temperature sensor;  
3 a blood pressure sensor;  
4 a pulse detector;  
5 a mobile telephone interface; and  
6 control circuitry coupled to said body temperature sensor,  
7 said blood pressure sensor, said pulse detector and said mobile  
8 telephone interface, configured to provide vital sign information  
9 to a user via said mobile telephone interface and a mobile  
10 telephone coupled thereto in response to control signals received  
11 from said mobile telephone via said mobile telephone interface.

16. The system as recited in Claim 15 wherein said system is  
2 integral with a chassis of said mobile telephone.

17. The system as recited in Claim 15 wherein said control  
2 circuitry provides said vital sign information to said user via a  
3 display of said mobile telephone.

18. The system as recited in Claim 15 wherein said control  
2 circuitry provides said vital sign information to said user via a  
3 loudspeaker of said mobile telephone.

19. The system as recited in Claim 15 wherein said control

2     circuitry accepts commands from a keypad of said mobile telephone.

20.   The system as recited in Claim 15 wherein said control  
2     circuitry accepts commands from a microphone of said mobile  
3     telephone.